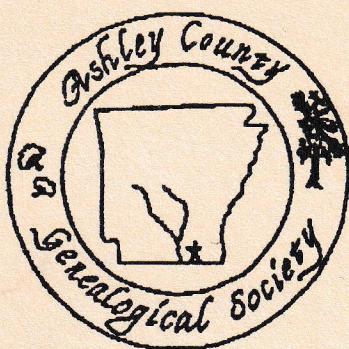


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President's Message



Spring 1993

Those who missed the April 17 trip to Sheridan missed a good outing and interesting speech by Edwin L. Goolsby, Museum Director and Grant County Historian, who spoke very knowledgeably about the capture and occupation of Camden by Union General Steele and his troops, the battle of Jenkins Ferry and other skirmishes between Camden and Pine Bluff and along the Ouachita River. We met at the Church in the Museum complex, where Mr. Goolsby delivered his speech. Then we toured the buildings and grounds before attempting to go to Jenkins Ferry Park for lunch. I said *attempted* because it was completely flooded and we had to return to the museum parking lot and eat lunch from the trunks of our cars. It was all fun and a real good outing. Eight of us gathered at the Western Slizzlin' parking lot that morning and two members from Pine Bluff met us on the trail. So there were 10 of us and the weather, though threatening, cooperated and we didn't get wet!

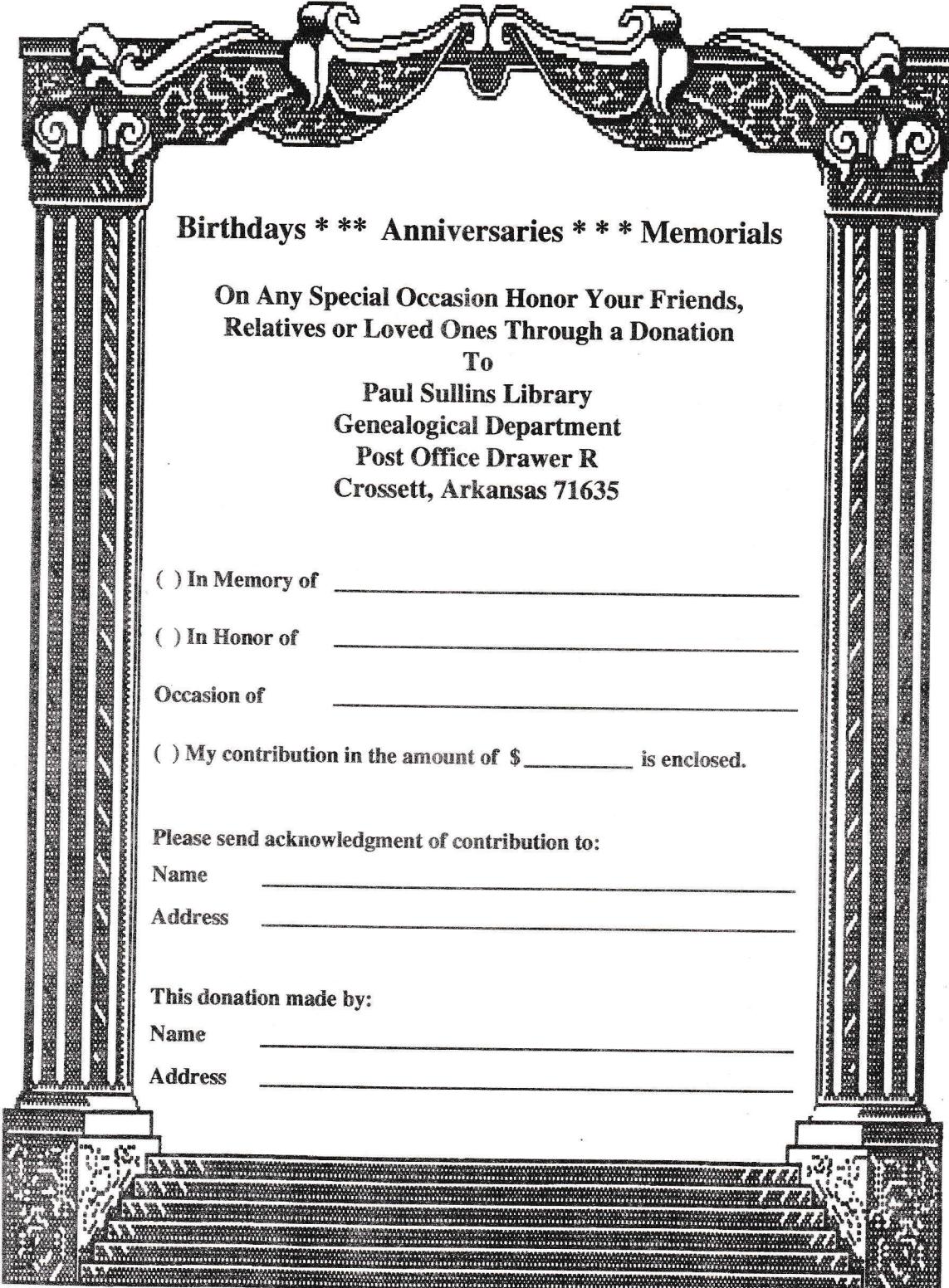
Mr. Lynn Grimes of Pine Bluff, who spoke to our group on March 27 about military records, donated his speaking fee of \$75.00 to us for the purchase of books for the library. This was a very generous gift and the money has gone for new genealogical materials. I am sure everyone will make good use of the new publications in the library.

While discussing the gift of Mr. Grimes, by Dollie Pruitt, Librarian, pointed out that some people give memorials in the form of books for the library and these memorials can be made by anyone for any person or persons and for any occasion. Personally, I think this is an excellent idea and have inserted a form in this quarterly for use in making such a memorial. I hope many of you will agree and will use this method of remembering a loved one or a friend in a special and lasting way.

In recent months, I have noticed more accent placed on tracing your family's health history. In the past, this was a little thought of angle of genealogy as most of us were more engrossed with names, dates and places concerning our ancestors. However, this might be one of the most important aspects of genealogy. Nowadays, when a new doctor is consulted, a complete history is taken into the record. However, it was not always that way. Even 50 years ago, doctors pretty well diagnosed and treated an illness as best they could determine and paid little or no attention to the cause or possible inheritance of the disease. No preventive medicine was practiced and we went to the doctor only when we were sick.

The March 1993 issue of **Reader's Digest** contains an article entitled *This Tree Can Save Your Life*. This is an excellent article and the author, Sue Browder, suggests finding out the cause of death and diseases prevalent in your family, as well as blood type if possible. She suggests a family health tree file be started on each member of the family showing the birthdate, date of death, cause of death, blood type, occupation, known diseases or infirmities, whether overweight or underweight, and use of tobacco and alcohol, and she gives some suggestions as to how to find out these things. Sounds like a good idea and if you do not have access to the March issue of the **Reader's Digest**, call me and I will share mine.

Blanche Hancock Turlington



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Notes From The Editor of Kin Kollecting

This completes the seventh year since the organization of Ashley County Genealogical Society. This year in our quarterly we have published twelve articles contributed by members, nine family group sheets, one ancestor chart, five Bible records, and queries. Without contributors like you this quarterly would not be possible. I urge each of your to fill out family group sheets and ancestor charts similar to the ones found on the following pages and return to the Ashley County Genealogical Society, Drawer R, Crossett, Arkansas 71635. If you have diaries, journals, letters, pension records, etc. of interest, please send us a copy to print in the quarterly. Your contributions are the backbone, heart and soul of this publication.

Our query section is free. Write us with you query, someone out there may have just the information you are looking for. *Kin Kollecting* is exchanged with genealogical societies all across the nation, from Washington to New York, Wisconsin to Florida, including some libraries. So, our readership is widespread. The more readers, the greater chance of someone with the information you seek reading it. I have had the unexpected success of receiving data from a far distant cousin in answer to a three line query, which amounted to about ten generations on one line and five on another, with documentation. Others have had similar success. We hope you will too. But you must send that query in to get results. Happy hunting. You do not have to be a member to have your query printed.

Our thanks goes to those who have worked tirelessly to abstract the records that have appeared on our pages in the past. You have spent many hours over old books, microfiche and microfilm, written in often barely legible handwriting, written perhaps with a quill pen and inks that were made from oak apples and mixed with copper sulfate and tree gum diluted with water, often smearing or with blots or lamp black which did not combine with the paper and tended to crack or wear off. We appreciate everyone of you.

Our goal is to preserve these records for the use of future generations and to increase interest in genealogical research, to instruct members in the practice of genealogical research and compilation and to promote the collection and preservation of manuscripts, documents and other materials of genealogical value. With you help this goal is attainable.

Rebecca Brown, Editor

FAMILY GROUP NO.
Husband's Full Name

This Information Obtained From:

	Husband's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Husband	
	Birth								
	Chr'nd								
	Mar.								
	Death								
	Burial								
Places of Residence									
	Occupation				Church Affiliation	Military Rec.			
	Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc. Make separate sheet for each mar.								
	His Father				Mother's Maiden Name				
Wife's Full Maiden Name									
	Wife's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Wife	
	Birth								
	Chr'nd								
	Death								
	Burial								
Compiler	Places of Residence								
Address	Occupation if other than housewife								
City, State	Church Affiliation								
Date	Her Father				Mother's Maiden Name				
Sex	Children's Name in Full (Arrange in order of birth)	Children's Date	Day	Month	Year	City, Town or Place	County or Province, etc.	State or Country	Add. Info. on Children
1		Birth							
		Mar.							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
		Burial							
2		Birth							
		Mar.							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
		Burial							
3		Birth							
		Mar.							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
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4		Birth							
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	Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
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5		Birth							
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	Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
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6		Birth							
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	Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
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9		Birth							
		Mar.							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
		Burial							
10		Birth							
		Mar.							
	Full Name of Spouse*	Death							
		Burial							

*If married more than once No. each mar. (1) (2) etc. and list in "Add. Info. on children" column. Use reverse side for additional children, other notes, references or information.

Name of Compiler _____
 Address _____
 City, State _____
 Date _____

b. Date of Birth
 p.b. Place of Birth
 m. Date of Marriage
 d. Date of Death
 p.d. Place of Death

Ancestor Chart

Person No. 1 on this chart is the same person as No. _____ on chart No. _____.

Chart No. _____

1		16	b. (Father of No. 8, Cont. on chart No. _____) m.
2	(Father of No. 1)	17	d. b. (Mother of No. 8, Cont. on chart No. _____) d.
3	(Mother of No. 1)	18	b. (Father of No. 9, Cont. on chart No. _____) m.
4	(Father of No. 2)	19	d. b. (Mother of No. 9, Cont. on chart No. _____) d.
5	(Mother of No. 2)	20	b. (Father of No. 10, Cont. on chart No. _____) m.
6	(Father of No. 3)	21	d. b. (Mother of No. 10, Cont. on chart No. _____) d.
7	(Mother of No. 3)	22	b. (Father of No. 11, Cont. on chart No. _____) m.
8		23	d. b. (Mother of No. 11, Cont. on chart No. _____) d.
9	(Mother of No. 4)	24	b. (Father of No. 12, Cont. on chart No. _____) m.
10	(Father of No. 5)	25	d. b. (Mother of No. 12, Cont. on chart No. _____) d.
11	(Mother of No. 5)	26	b. (Father of No. 13, Cont. on chart No. _____) m.
12	(Father of No. 6)	27	d. b. (Mother of No. 13, Cont. on chart No. _____) d.
13	(Mother of No. 6)	28	b. (Father of No. 14, Cont. on chart No. _____) m.
14	(Father of No. 7)	29	d. b. (Mother of No. 14, Cont. on chart No. _____) d.
15	(Mother of No. 7)	30	b. (Father of No. 15, Cont. on chart No. _____) m.
	(Spouse of No. 1)	31	d. b. (Mother of No. 15, Cont. on chart No. _____) d.
b.	d.		
p.b.	p.d.		

Photo Copying Hints

Our February program was given by Claude and Mary Spainhour which included instructions on how to do you own photo copying and he actually copied a picture for each person attending. He instructed thus:

First: Gather the following equipment:

1. A 35 mm Single-lens Reflex camera with interchangeable lenses (approx. cost \$350)
2. Close-up lens kit, three lenses that will screw onto the camera lens, which will allow focusing to very short distances (\$50)
3. A sturdy tripod to support and stabilize camera during long exposures (\$90)
4. A cable release to allow releasing the shutter without shaking the camera (\$3)
5. Two clamps on reflector lights (\$5 each)
6. A medium yellow lens filter to improve the contrast on dark or dim black and white photographs (\$15)
7. A # 80-A lens filter to correct incandescent light for daylight-formulated color film [copies will have a yellow cast without this filter] (\$15)
8. A notebook in which to log pictures and catalog them by processor's serial number (\$2)
9. A black mat board, any size larger than the largest thing you want to copy. [Claude used a piece of plywood painted black]
10. Photographic tape, the kind that leaves no residue.

Of all of this you must have the camera, tripod, magnification lenses, black mat and tape.

Two: Buy a roll of black and white film (ASA 100). In copy work you can vary the shutter speed to get the proper exposure. It's much more important to get the fine grain in the slower film. Remember, you may be copying on 8 x 10 but you're putting it on film the size of a postage stamp. Later if you enlarge your copy back to 8 x 10, if that negative has any grain showing the enlarged copy will look like sandpaper. Faster film has a larger grain than slower film.

Three: Choose six or eight old photographs that you want to copy.

Four: Tape the mat board to the wall and position the lights at angles so that their combined lights meet, without shadow or glare. You think of pictures as being two-dimensional or flat. They really aren't when you look at them under high magnification. The close-up lens reveals even the texture of the paper the photos are printed on. By using two lights the second will illuminate the texture shadows cast by the first. Fix your tripod and place your filters nearby.

Five: Place several pieces of photographic tape on the back of the first photo and put it on the black mat board.

Six: Focus carefully. Claude said that he always sets the diaphragm as small as it would go (f22) and vary the exposure with the shutter speed. This makes for some long exposures, but the small aperture increases the depth of focus. In close-up photography the depth of focus is short any way, the greater the magnification the shorter the depth. Anything you can do to maximize it is to your advantage. The split ring focusing screen isn't accurate enough for close-up work. Look for the sparkle in the person's eyes. If you'll focus so that sparkle just jumps out at you, the rest of the picture will be great too. Move the camera in until the entire print is in focus and there is only about one inch of excess mat showing. Also, don't have a *itsy-bitsy* picture with a wide amount of mat.

Photo Copying Hints, Cont.

The medium yellow filter is to be used for prints that have lost a great deal of image, and are badly faded. The filter takes out excess light and allows the image to be darker.

When the picture is taken with by tungsten light (ordinary light bulb) the copy will come out with a yellow cast. By using an 80A filter (bluish) the copy will be color corrected. If you take color pictures under fluorescent lights you'll need a Fluorescent/daylight filter (rose) to keep the copy from looking too blue or green.

Check your lighting, camera angle and focus then shoot. Make sure you are exactly in front of the picture, the picture is level and not slanted, and re-shoot. Until you get the hang of copying and you don't have a light meter, you might start shooting at your middle F-stop and then change your F-stops by two stops, both up and down, taking one shot at each stop. It is easier to shoot several exposures than it is to set everything up and re-shoot. It is a good idea to keep a record of your settings for each picture so that you will have a record of which exposure is best.

Seven: Gently remove the first photo, then go on to the next—until you have used up all the film. It is advisable to arrange pictures to be copied by size. Start with the largest and go to the smallest or vice-versa. This will minimize the time required changing close-up lenses. A given combination of lenses will copy only a fairly small range of sizes. Once you add a lens, you'll save time for the next group.

Eight: Carry your film to a photo lab.

Nine: Enjoy your results, share them with the family. Family pictures are out there. People love to share them with you. They particularly like it when you offer to make them an extra copy or two for their kids. This doesn't cost much and it's a way to say *thank you* for sharing their old pictures with you. Also, remember, be careful with the originals, people trusted you with them. Remember once you have the negative additional copies can be printed at a small cost.

Ten: Start a picture log. Very quickly you'll lose track of which envelope Aunt Susie's picture was in. Claude and Mary simply keep a spiral notebook with one page per roll of copy film. On it they record the date the film was sent away for developing, whether it is black and white or color, the serial number of the processor's envelope and the page number in the log book. The following is recorded as a description of each picture:

- A. Frame number
- B. Picture description
- C. Number of copies available
- D. Number of copies required

This log lends itself to storage in a computer data base so it can be retrieved by various parameters.

When you've finished with the copies, when you've made all the extras you want and distributed them; store the extra pictures in the processor's envelope in numerical order by serial number. Put the negatives in an envelope marked with the same serial number and store it in a safe place or safety deposit box at the bank.

You are now on the way to having a genealogy library of family photos, making sure to record all data that the picture contains: names, ages, dates, relationships and places. Mount all photos on acid-free mounting or store in archival sleeves.

Have fun but don't stay at it too long at a time, then it becomes work.

The following story was among the papers given to the Paul Sullins Library by Gordon Hartrick. Notes with the story indicate the events happened south of Wilmot on the bayou almost at the Arkansas/Louisiana state line. The doll is in the possession of Julia Grizzell Kyle, sister of Roy Grizzell.

Romance

Julia A Doll

by Ida Jolly Crawley

In the long-ago, when elegance graced womanhood, and their mission was to grace the home The glory of the Antebellum days of the South held sway. Thus on the banks of Bayou Bathomu in Ark. this romance, on a plantation began.

Julia Crawley just budding into womanhood, deliberately picked up her Doll and wended her way to the attic. Talking to it all the while. "Now Dolly-darling I am seventeen today. Do you not notice my dress is to my ankles? Do you like its many frills, the rustling of the silk, and too my hair is braided and twined in a coronet around my head, into it a spray of white jessamin. My bodice is staying and laced in front. Aye Dolly that is not all; there is a bracelet on my arm, a broad and of gold, with clamp and tiny chain. And too I have a ring on my third finger of left hand. That binds a nerve, that goes directly to my heart."

"Now listen Dolly, you must know by all this, that I am now to hide you away. You and I have played a sweet babyhood away, and now I am a maiden."

"Oh! yes I treasure you, your blue eyes look knowingly on what I say. It is a sad day, yes very sad day that I must hide you a way in the old oaken chest; and even as I do I question which do I most adore your or Mr. Cox?"

"Now that's my secret, even Father does not know it. Should I be joyous, not so pensive? I can not put you in the old oaken chest, for today I place you by the window, so you may see me exactly at three, ride alone, I am old enough to ride without an attendant."

"Sweet Dolly you look as if you were no longer a mere doll. You are a real little antebellum lady, dressed so daintily, in your style so becoming with train and full, all of rich tafita, your sash from your left shoulder streams to the hem of your gown. Oh! yes it is royal. Its embossed embellishment of floral design of autumn leaves."

"There, there now Dolly, I must hasten into my habit and gallop off to meet my lover...And to change my name, in keeping with my ring, and its vow, So Adieu."

An hour passes often quickly. Into the wooded bye-path Julia guided her horse.

"Ah! Who comes there? It is Mr. Cox."

"Come, come quickly my love, The Parson is at the gate at Jones Chapel. Quickly we will be married, ere your Father follows you, my beautiful Bride."

Their horses seemed to catch some impress, paced off together. To Julia it seemed both she and her horse moved under his command, with a force she knew not how to combat.

Bayou Bathomu borders in a curve a part of the Chapel's grounds. Cypress trees formed a grove so beautiful, the long grey southern moss hung and festooned from them, clinging oftentimes to the trunks.

The little grave-yard under the trees, was all so silent. The Chapel filled the scene, bearing a touch of Gothic in elegance.

The Parson with Bible in hand stood awaiting Julia and Mr. Cox at the walled entrance. He stepped forward and lifted Julia from her saddle. Cox dismounted.

"List," he said, "I hear the hoofs of galloping horses. We dare not wait to enter."

Julia drew the ring off of her finger, the Parson replaced it pressing the two hands together saying, "In Gods name Julia I marry you to this man and you Cox to this child-woman. Amen."

Oh Julia your heart beats wildly—"Who comes there?"

"Your Father and young Rue Page both angrily lashing their horses."

The Parson lifts his Bible and calls to them, "Too Late—Too Late."

They dismount, the Father has his whip in hand, his indignant spirit rightfully shown. Young Page, with down cast eyes and muffled voice says to himself, "Yes, too late—too late."

They turn without a word and leave. Julia realizes her act and wishes she was safely in the attic with her Doll. Her entire being and heart fibers are frightened, her senses swim. Cox sees it and says, "You are mine Julia not young Page's or your Fathers." He waves adieu to the Parson, throws him his purse.

The couple rides slowly and silently to the Ferry. An old slave there poles the boat across the Bayou sulkily, ties it to a stake, then leads the horses off to the barn yard.

The couple walks slowly up the bank and into her home where Cox with his Mother lives.

The air stifles Julia, all is strange. Time—Ah! Yes time, time, time—slowly ticks the clock.

The mother enters, and in timorous manner greets Julia. She in her way is kind.

Julia began crying when the Mother left the room. There she was, without clothes, money, or any one to confide in, deserted by her Father and her loyal admirer Page. Think of all this—She stifled back a sob, her anguish, determining to seek to hide her folly.

Weeks followed, the old clock marked Time—Time.

There are two tiny graves at Jones Chapel, covered by a rose vine "Wild Fred of the Woods" is the name given to it, by Julia's aunt. One stone covers the two graves of her sister Fannie and Brother Freddie. She had come to visit them. Tears were not in her eyes, they were in her heart. Silently she sat there. Bayou Batholomu flowed by silently too, almost without a murmur.

She mounts her horse, the same one on which she had ridden away from her childhood home. There she longs to go, but dares not. She starts back to the ferry. Suddenly into view, riding towards her is Rue Page. They stop. He addresses her, "Julia promise me if in the course of years, you are free that you will marry me."

"I will—I will!"

Then they each on their different ways passed on.

Yet—a little while the old clock ticked on.

Julia folded her hands on her breast. Another mound was close beside Fannie and Freddie. The great-full moon shone through the fine clustering foliage of the cypress grove, letting in splashes of gray light that was a kin in tone to the Southern moss swaying silently in the moon-light in the midnight gloom. Upon the real loves of Julia. Rue Page engulfed in grief, upon her grave.

To him alike, as unto her, no one had given courage. and his great soul sought hers in elysian glory of Heaven, and wended its way, leaving his body all neatly dressed for burial. There they are like a balard and eloese, in Pier-La-Chase-Paris. Entombed together.

The treasured Doll was laid a way, in the old oak-chest in the attic. Years passed. The Civil War guns were not heard by either Julias. The old clock in her Father's home marked hours of many changes. Families scattered, fortunes wrecked, negros freed. The repose of antebellum days of elegance and cultural luxury dwelt still in memory. The great columned porticoes of the old colonial mansions stood centinals of by gone days. Silent.

Major J. Fred Crawley and wife, with their family left their home on the bank of Bayou Batholomu, where the little steamer that once a week plied its way from New Orleans, pausing always at a warf in front of their home, if for nothing else to pass a word of greeting. This warf still bears the name of Crawleys Bend—though the little steamer long since has stopped its journeying. Another point there, the wonderful flower garden left its impress.

January first 1866, well on that New Year's day, Major Crawley who had not yet decided at what point he would make his new home. Suddenly, from some impulse, as the train slowed down called his family together and off of the train. They were in the village of Sweetwater, Loudon County, Tennessee. There to wait in the Hotel until he chose an abode. Thus Syvestria House seven miles in the country was founded where Pond Creek flows through the woods and fields. And a spring, as many others has marked where the home nest would be.

His family consisted of his wife and four children, John, Ella, Mattie, and Bob. Later children, Ida Jolly and Olga Irene. One old slave clung to them, coming with them in devotion from Arkansas.

In 1875 there came to live in this home two children William and Linnie Crawley, orphans. With them came a great Saratoga trunk; in it all of Julia Crawley's treasures ere she married, (her jewelry, silver, vases, dresses and Julia the Doll.) Then there in Sylvestria Home, farms, entered a life new to the Doll and also it's play mates, they were many but chiefly Linnie its owner and her cousins Ida and Olga though the Pond Creek children all played with it. That was the blessed days of Playhouse. In all Julia Doll reigned Supreme.

Tick on old clock—Time, Time.

Olga at the age of seventeen married and in another few years Julia was loved by her children, Rena, Bee, Olga C. and Ida Jessie Williams. Now this is the 19th and 20th century so called, 1900s. All things change as the clock ticks time—Bye and by Julia Doll was cast away in the attic. Ida was in Europe, no one save her fervently loved the doll, or had any sense of preservation of family treasurers, estates, money, rare furniture, silver or anything—not even time, time, time.

The Doll traveled many States into two different indifferent vacillating epochs—time, time. Then on August 19, 1919, Julia the Doll came to abide constantly within the Crawley Museum of Art and Archaeology which on that date was founded, and endowed by Ida Jolly Crawley in Ashville, North Carolina.

Rescued, Adored. Aye! Yes, admired by the multitude that pause as they look on Julia the Doll. Seated in the recess of a window, gowned in Antebellum style in riches that belongs to her entirely. The entire Salon in accord with her in period furniture rich in richness of imported fabric, paintings, furniture both of itself and historical value seemingly all for Julia, The Doll.

Julia entering far into the second century of her being. In her lap is a small volume of the seventeenth century, open, upon which her hand is resting, tossed to one side is a Japanese toy, a fan of ivory and lace, a folded tiny shoulder shawl, which was worn by Mrs. Crawley on Syvestria Farm. An elaborate parasol of black satin stands on the floor beside her. The lining is of golden tone the pleated frill also. Her shoes of solid leather buttoned, are the identical ones bought on the Doll, her hoes, or to speak in the language of long-a-go, are over one half century old. They were Olga's striped stockings. Julia Doll, probably is bisque. She was imported from Paris to New Orleans, La. One must know some people to catch their full impress just so wish Julia—the Biography otherwise would be imperfect, her romance unfinished—for you also would be her Lover.

* * * * *

Beware of those professing to be descendants of James Buchanan, Warren Harding, Andrew Jackson, James Madison, James K. Polk, and George Washington. These six presidents of the United States had no descendants...so, therefore, there are not direct lines from these leaders of the United States!

The Family Tree, Vol. III, No. 6

The following was submitted by a member, it came from The Genie, October 1974, Volume VIII, No. 4. The article was submitted by Kermit Stell who was a native of Ashley County.

A Letter Written in 1902

Submitted by Kermit Stell

Mr. Stell is the great grandson of J. C. Pyron and lives in Sturgis, S. D. The spelling and punctuation are as Mr. Stell transcribed the original letter.

Fountain Hill, Ashley Co. Ark.
1902
R. M. Pyron, Bexar Texas

Oct. 14,

Dear Nephue your vary welcom letter to hand contents noted was glad to learn your address that I might corespond with you as i am old 78 years old next January I do not expect to corispond with any one much longer was truly glad to hear that you were prospers in life my children are All maried and scattered my wife and myself are living a lone We are living 4 miles east Fountain Hill we have 4 dauutors 2 sons 2nd girl at Harison oaklamen married man by name of Baker 1 dauter at Dewitt Ark dauter and 1 son in Drewe Co. Ark my oldest son lives nearby me they are all getting along tolerabel well we had 2 dry summers in sucesion therefore the cropps have been short the 2 last years especihely grain cropps i liv 10 mils North of Hamburg their is a rail road runing from the missippy river to Hamburg crossing the valey road at montrose in Ashley county i hope that you will make your contempto visit to us in the near future you said you wanted a Byoyrub of the Pyron famley I will give you the staring point and wen you visit us i will tell you all i now about them a man by our name was in the Colensey that settled in Jamestown in Virginey he had 3 sons named James William and Charls John Pyron followed Chocktaw indians and died among them in Alabama. William my grandfather settled in North Carolina Charles Pyron located in what is now the state of Tenesee all the Pyrons that I have any knollage of came from the Pyron that settled with the colonney of Jamestown Verginia. i will close this letter by saying my wife joins me in love to you and famle hoping to hear from you soon that you will visit in the near future

Yours as ever

J. C. Pyron

Norris Cemetery
Near Fountain Hill, Arkansas
(Incomplete)
Copied by Kermit Stell

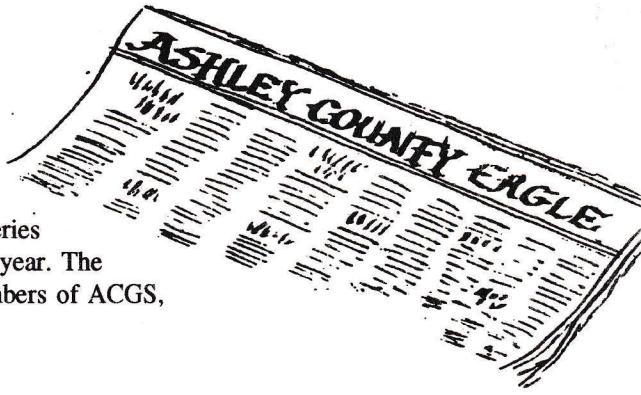
Richard J. Locke
Sarah A. J. O'Danel

1828 – 20 Aug 1880
1830 – 18 Aug 1861

According to Mr. Stell, the above records were compiled about 1960. At that time the cemetery was very badly damaged by loggers cutting trees and permitting logs to fall over, and on, the stones. There were approximately 50 graves here, badly neglected and quite overgrown. He further states that it is highly probable the cemetery has disappeared by this time.

Newspaper Abstracts

This series of abstracts from the Ashley County Eagle, the oldest available newspaper in Ashley County. We started this series in Kin Kollecting I, No. 5 and publish several pages each year. The abstracts have been copied from microfilm by several members of ACGS, including the present abstractor, Rebecca Brown.



May 30, 1895, continued

Rev. R. J. Moore, will preach in the Methodist Church Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Subject "Is the Methodist Church a Church of Christ?"

Messrs. **W. F. McCombs** and **J. M. Woodward**, our Railroad and Bank Presidents, started out Monday morning to organize a joint stock company to erect a Telephone line between Hamburg and Portland, and in a few hours succeeded in raising an amount sufficient to make the enterprise a success. We suppose the line will be erected at once.

June 6, 1895

Misses **Nannie** and **Maggie Dean**, daughters of Mr. **J. D. Dean**, of Portland, returned home this week from the Virginia College for Young Ladies, at Roanoke, Virginia.

Rev. W. A. Gibony commenced a protracted meeting in the Baptist Church, Tuesday evening, which will continue the balance of this week and probably longer.

Mr. **Charley Burchell's** little daughter, aged between 4 and 5 years, died at their home in Marie Saline township on Monday of this week.

Misses **Annie Joe Guise** and **Sula Easter** have been attending school at Nashville for the past ten months, returned home last Friday evening.

Misses **Abbie Wilson**, **Sallie Murphy**, and **Bettie White** will return from Searcy College this week.

Col. **Matt Crammer** and family, of Fordyce, are expected here on a visit the latter part of this week.

Misses **Mattie Watson** and **Mattie Frank Scott** left last week on a visit to Bonita and Bastrop, Louisiana.

Miss **Georgia Trezevant** retuned last Thursday evening from Staunton, Virginia.

Letters remaining at the Post Office at Hamburg, May 31, 1895. **Mrs. M. A. Country**, **Mrs. M. Ellison**, **Mrs. L. T. Highfield**, **Delph Moore**, **Mrs. R. A. Watson**, **Mr. G. W. Bunn 2**, **Mr. Frank Byrd**, **Mr. Rufus Byrd**, **Mr. Brutus Garham**, **Mr. J. K. ??lo. A. H. Lawson**, P. M.

June 13, 1895

A middle-aged lady wishes a position as teacher in a family. Terms moderate. Good Credentials. Address Mrs. **Sallie Brandon**, Parkdale, Ark.

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

Mr. A. E. Jackson and family, of Wilmot, came up last Sunday evening to spend a while with their relatives and friends in Hamburg. They will doubtless become residents of our town again when the Hamburg and Southern Rail Road is complete.

Dr. W. L. Blanks and Mr. W. T. Files were up from Parkdale Monday.

At the last regular meeting of Prairie Lodge No. 455, F. and A. M., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:
Dr. W. H. Lindsey, W. M.; Walter Terry, S. W.; H. E. Foote, J. W.; W. A. Roby, Secretary; D. W. Perdue, Treasurer.

The protracted meeting commenced in the Baptist Church at this place, last week, by **Rev. W. A. Gibony**, has been well attended.

Among the 18 young lady graduates from Galloway College last week, the four daughters of Ashley County were the only winners of the A. M. Degree: Misses **Bettie White, Abbie Wilson, and Sallie Murphy**, of this place, and Miss **Allie Pugh**, of Portland.

Mrs. I. J. Newton, Jr. and family left Saturday last to join husband and father at Little Rock, in which city the Doctor has permanently located to practice his profession. **Dr. I. J. Newton, Jr.** is a son of Ashley County, whose venerable father has been a citizen of Hamburg for forty years, and is himself a distinguished surgeon. For quite a while, Dr. Newton was a successful physician in Bastrop and Monroe, Louisiana; but the health of his family succumbed to the malarial influences of that section, and compelled a change of residence.

June 20, 1895

Mr. **R. W. Stubblefield**, Prescott, Ark., and Miss **Lida E. Young**, of this county, were united in marriage by **Rev. J. J. Colson**, at the residence of Mr. **J. J. Cone**, of Snyder, on the 12th inst.

One negro preacher shot and another hung is the sequel of a 'spute among the colored residents of Portland last Monday evening. About 12 o'clock Monday **Frank King** shot **William Toney**, the load entering the pit of the stomach and causing what is supposed will prove a fatal wound. King was hung to the limb of a tree on the outskirts of town by a negro mob Monday night and was still hanging there when the mail left Tuesday morning.

The latest move on the Rail Road trustee board promising great things for Hamburg, is a new line known as Sunnyside, Hamburg and Western Rail Road, which is to completed from Sunnyside, on the Mississippi River, to this place in time to move the entire cotton crop of 1896, if not sooner. Messrs. **F. W. Watkins, W. F. Fenton, Walter Davis and John C. Conley**, form Sunnyside, and Messrs. **Jessie D. Dean** and Mr. **R. A. Pugh**, from Portland, met with our citizens this Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock, the object of the meeting being to hear and consider propositions form the above company looking to the immediate commencement of work on the line.

Commissioners Sale – Notice is given that in pursuance to directions contained in the dercretal order of the Drew Chancery Court, made on the 13th day of June, A. D. 1895 in a certain cause (No. 875) then pending therein wherein **P. E. Lambert**, at al were complainants and **Jennie Hawkins**, etal were defendants, I will sell...at the court house door in Hamburg, Ark., on Saturday the 20th of July, A.D., 1895, the following lands in Ashley County, Ark., to wit: the N 1/2 of N 1/2, and the SE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Sec 24, the NE 1/4 of the E 1/2 of SE 1/4, the NW 1/4 of SE 1/4, of the NE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec 23, all in T 15S, R 8W, 520 acres. Terms of sale: security and lien being retained on said lands to secure the purchase money. R. L. Hyatt, Commissioner, June 20th 1895.

Notice of Publication – Camden, Ark. June 11, 1895...final proof on 27 day of July 1895, viz: **James R. Johnson, H. E. 13568**, for the E 1/2 of NW 1/4 and W 1/2 of NE 1/4 Sec 15, T 18S, R 8W. Witnesses: **Samuel Fletcher, John Doss, Ed Evans, and John Barnett** of Hamburg, Ark. **J. A. Ross**, Register. June 20, 1895.

Warning Order: **W. R. and A. P. Guess, Plaintiffs vs. W. A. Bigger, Defendant.**

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

June 27, 1895

Mr. Geo. B. Pugh having been appointed Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for this county, has resigned the office of Mayor of Hamburg, and the Council elected Mr. W. H. Tebbs to fill the vacancy.

At a meeting of the stock holders of the Hamburg and Portland Telephone Co. last Thursday evening, Mrssrs. J. M. Woodard, W. E. Kittrell, L. W. Perdue, and A. W. Terry, were appointed a committee to purchase the wire, telephones, and other fixtures for completing the work, to superintend the erection, locate the offices along the line and fix the compensation of parties for attending the same.

Egypt Baptist Church of Christ met in conference on Saturday June 22nd, 1895... The committee from Flat Creek Church... consisted of W. J. Withers, Father Denson, George Mears, and Tom Baker. Bro. John P. Pyron, a deacon and leading member of Flat Creek Church, was also present with the committee. The regular order of business being the report of the committee appointed to investigate the charges made against Elder G. D. Moore that he mistreated his family. The committee reported they had visited Mrs. Moore and she said the rumor was false. The clerk read a statement from Miss Ida Franklin:...during my stay at the home of Elder G. D. Moore I saw nothing nor heard anything to justify the disgraceful reports which have been circulated on him. Ida Franklin. Attest: A. D. Cone...Egypt Baptist Church declared them false and malicious. Elder E. E. Smith, Moderator, Elder G. D. Moore, C. C.

Last Friday morning...a large crowd left for Fountain Hill. It being the last day of Miss Burks' school, she gave an entertainment, and patrons provided an excellent dinner. A prize was offered to the one who went through the drill most successfully. The judges were Dr. Watkins, Mr. Moseley, and Mr. Nutt... The prize, a beautiful gold ring, was awarded to Miss Allie Simpson. Mr. Geo. Pugh, our honorable ex-mayor, presented the ring.

Notice: I will apply to the next term of Ashley Probate Court for leave to sell the real estate of Mrs. R. L. Allen for payments of debts... Tom Stilwell, Adm'r G. W. Norman, Attorney. June 27, 1895.

Notice: ... I will apply to the next term of Ashley Probate Court for leave to sell the real estate of Lee D. Pippen, a minor... M. M. Myers, Guardian. G. W. Norman, Attorney. June 27, 1895.

July 4, 1895

Commissioner's Sale: Whereas Pugh Bros. and Co. at the May Term 1895, by a decree of the Ashley Chancery Court, recovered of A. H. Wilson the sum of 1501.75 dollars for their principal debt, and the further sum of 217.70 dollars for interest to the first day of June 1895: And whereas the said A. H. Wilson on the 31st day of December 1892 executed his deed of mortgage on the following lands to wit:

SW 1/4, Sec 23, T 16S, R 4W, 160 acres

E 1/2 NW 1/4, Sec 23, T 16S, R 4W, 80 acres

W 1/2 SE 1/4, Sec 23, T 16S, R 4W, 80 acres

SE 1/4 SE 1/4, Sec 16, T 17S, R 4W, 40 acres

SW 1/4 SW 1/4, Sec 9, T 17S, R 4W, 40 acres

NE 1/4 SW 1/4, Sec 4, T 17S, R 4W, 40 acres

upon which there was a decree of for disclosure for the purpose of paying the sums aforesaid; And whereas the said A. H. Wilson was by said decree required within 30 days to pay said sums to said Pugh Bros. & Co. and upon his failure to do so the undersigned was required to sell said land at the time, place, and in the manner by law required for Judicial sales...I will on the 27th day of July 1895...sell to the highest bidder aforesaid lands. Geo. Norman, Commissioner.

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

Commissioners Sale...by decree of Ashley County Chancery Court: **E. L. Thompson** recovered of **A. H. Wilson** the sum of 760 dollars, with 10 per cent interest thereon from the 31st December 1892 until paid...I will sell to the highest bidder the following lands:

E 1/2 E 1/2, Sec 7, T 16S, R 4W;

SW 1/4 NE 1/4, Sec 7, T 16S, R 4W;

E 1/2 SW 1/4, Sec 7, R 16S, R 4W; lying west of Lake Grampus and containing 158 acres. And the NE pt. of NW pt, Sec 18, T 16S, R 4W, 16 and 16/100ths acres for the satisfaction of said decree. **Geo. Norman**, Commissioner.

Mr. W. M. Whitlow and wife, Miss Evie ??ll, came over from Warren Monday, all left Tuesday morning on a visit to the family of **Mr. J. S. Rolfe**, at Oak Ridge, La.

Maj. W. G. Rolfe will spend the present month visiting relatives in the north.

Mr. Bernard Forster, the first commercial tourist from Natchez, visited our town this week.

Mr. Otto Zeiman was brought to town and lodged in jail Tuesday evening, charged with killing **Mr. Pleas Milam**, near Morrell, last Saturday morning.

Sheriff Stilwell went to Little Rock to make his settlement this week, and will visit relatives in Tennessee and Alabama before returning home.

Married, in this place, on Saturday last, **Mr. Arthur Boothly** and Miss **Mary E. Allen**, of Portland, **Rev. C. Rhodes** officiating.

Hamburg High School Association officers for the ensuing year: **Maj. W. G. Rolfe**, Pres.; **D. E. Watson**, V. P.; **W. E. Kittrell**, Sec.; **W. F. McCombs**, Tres.; **J. D. Pugh**, **A. H. Wilson** and **Dr. W. E. Easter**, Directors.

July 11, 1895

Misses **Nannie** and **Maggie Dean**, from Portland, are visiting among their Hamburg relatives and friends.

A negro named **Trav. Jones** was killed by another darkey in the Wilmot neighborhood one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. **Jas. Nolly**, from Monticello, came down on a visit to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. **W. H. Smith**.

Mr. Crook, of Ft. Hill, brought us specimens from his onion patch last week.

Mr. Otto Zieman, of the Morrell neighborhood, who killed **Mr. Pleas Milam** on the 6th inst., was admitted to bail in the sum of \$2,000 by County Court last week under a writ of habeas corpus.

Bunyan Bell, a young man from Parkdale neighborhood, was brought to town Monday evening by **Mr. J. T. Carnahan**, charged with cutting **Bob O'Conner**, inflicting fatal wounds. The prisoner made his escape Tuesday morning about daylight and left for parts unknown.

At conference of the Baptist Church on Sunday last, Messrs. **E. D. Bays**, **W. O. Pamplin**, and **W. W. Etheridge** were chosen Deacons, to be ordained on the 1st Sunday in August. The Presbytery will consist of Elders **John S. Wood**, **Hogan Allen**, and **E. E. Smith**...**Elder P. N. Taylor** will remain in charge as Pastor until the close of the Associational year.

List of Letters remaining in the Post Office at Hamburg, Ark. June 30, 1895. Ladies: **Mrs. Lelar Carter**, **Mrs. Fannie H. Lindsey**, **Miss Fannie Sawyer**, **Miss Lou Miller**, **Miss Annie Williams**. Gentlemen: **Mr. B. O. Bird**, **Mr. Lewis Bridges**, **W. B. DeYampert**, **Mr. Aron Evans**, **Mr. G. Jackson**, **Harry Moore**, **Mr. Savra McDuffie**, **Mr. John Steven**, **J. W. J. Taylor**, **Mr. Ben White**. **A. H. Lawson**, P.M.

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

Mrs. Jennie Wilson proved to be the fortunate possessor of the key that unlocked the Box containing ten silver dollars at Mr. C. L. Baker's Racket Store. She was visiting relatives in Warren last week when the keys were tried, and had left hers with **Mrs. Moseley**, who secured the money for her when the box was unlocked.

July 28, 1895

Dr. W. L. Blanks, from Parkdale, **Mr. F. L. Sherrer**, from Portland, and **Mr. Pratt Moseley**, from Wilmot were among their Hamburg friends this week.

Notice: All bills outstanding against me on or before July 25th. After that date my address will be Sioux City, Iowa. **Chas. M. Woodard**.

Mrs. Florence Roberts, from Monticello, came down last week on a visit to her sister, **Mrs. W. O. Bartlett**, who was quite sick at the time.

Mrs. W. H. Smith, **Mrs. E. A. Scott**, and **Mrs. W. O. Bartlett**, all neighbors on the west side of town, were all quite sick last week, but all three are convalescing.

The telephone between Hamburg and Portland has been completed.

At the railroad meeting last week Messrs. **J. D. Pugh**, **Jno. T. Norman**, and **R. E. Craig** were appointed a committee to solicit donations of land on the Sunnyside, Hamburg and Western road.

Capt. T. S. Stilwell, returned last week from his visit to Tennessee, accompanied by his sister, **Mrs. Lizzie Towles**, of Rossville, Tennessee, who comes to spend a few weeks at her old home.

The Board of Directors of the Hamburg High School Association have engaged the services of Messrs. **H. C. Thach**, **Jas. A. Peoples**, and **Jno. P. Graham**, of Tennessee, to take charge of the Hamburg High School for the next session to open first Monday in September next. These young gentlemen came to us with the highest endorsements of the celebrated Webb School, of Bell Buckle, Tennessee, and of Vanderbilt University.

Monday evening last a little negro boy five or six years old was killed at the residence of **Mr. M. A. Rice** by the accidental discharge of a small rifle in the hands of little **How. Stell**, about the same age. The little boy was bringing the downstairs from the upper story when it struck against something that caused it to fire, the ball passed centrally through the body of the little negro who was sitting or standing in the yard, the ball ranging downward, from the effects of which the little fellow died within a half hour's time.

Notes from Woodland: A Sunday School here, under the leadership of **Mr. J. C. Brown**, has made rapid progress since its organization a short time ago. Mr. Brown came to Ashley County last winter, and has proved...to be a man of public spirit. Our School District is a new one, formerly a part of twenty-nine. Our first school began last Monday, July 8, **Henry Shipman** teacher.

We organized a Debating Society last Saturday, the 13th, **Mr. John R. Hill**, President.

July 25, 1895

Rev. J. C. Rhodes will hold the Quarterly Conference for Portland and Parkdale Circuit at Mt. Gillead Church on Saturday and Sunday next. **Dr. W. E. Biggs** will fill his appointment at this place.

Jerry Williams, a colored desperado, shot and killed **Jeff Williams** and **Dave Duckery** and wounded two other negroes, all with one load of ? last Thursday evening on the Normandy place of **Mr. J. J. Dean**, near Parkdale. The murderer made his escape and was still at large when last heard from.

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

The Ashley County Bank has been purchased by Mr. J. D. Pugh and Mr. J. W. Van Gilder.

On Wednesday evening last week, Mr. S. J. Ferguson, of Hayes, Maryland, and Miss Annie Easter, of our town, were united in marriage by Rev. J. W. Moseley, at the residence of the bride's father Dr. W. E. Easter.

Wilmot—The Presbyterian Church is rapidly nearing completion. On Friday night the ladies gave an ice cream entertainment and cleared \$32.00. The wife of our old fellow townsmen, Mr. Jackson, Mrs. Bushmier, Mrs. Chestnut, Miss Maud Harris and others laid out their best endeavor to make it a success and they succeeded. During the recent supper Mr. Pratte Moseley received a handsome cake made by Mrs. Bushmier as a reward for industry and affability. Miss Laula King, of Parkdale, was voted the prettiest young lady.

August 1, 1895

Messrs. Charley and Noble Morschheimer returned to their old Hamburg home last week.

R. E. L. Lindsey, of Fordyce, is visiting our town.

Mr. Young Allen, from Little Rock, was among his Hamburg friends last week, after an absence of many months.

Mr. and Mrs. ? Ryland, of Pine Bluff, were among spectators to witness the base ball game last Friday evening.

Mr. W. P. Bailiff, an old citizen of the Berlin neighborhood, died on Sunday evening last, leaving a wife and several children.

Miss Alice Craig is visiting friends in the City of Roses and Miss Virginia Craig will leave this morning on a visit to friends in Monticello.

Mr. L. C. Adams, Post Master and General Merchant of Berea, died on Thursday evening last. He leaves a wife and several children.

Miss Annie Roberts, of Monticello, who has been visiting the family of Mr. H. R. Downey for the past week or more, retuned to her home last Monday morning.

Mr. Jno. Nutt's baby died on Sunday morning last at their home a few miles west of town.

Judge Roby has just completed a new map of Ashley County.

Death of L. C. Adams—The death angel claimed as his victim Bro. L. C. Adams...He was born December 1, 1855. He departed this life July 25, 1895. J. J. Colson.

Among the young ladies who witnessed the baseball contest between Hamburg and Monticello last Friday evening were Misses Gurtrude Cotham, Rose Waddell, and Josie Harper, of Monticello, Misses Mary Pugh and Nannie and Maggie Dean, of Portland, and Miss Clifton Jones of Pine Bluff.

Circuit Court convenes the 3rd Monday of this month. Grand Jurors—T. A. Jackson, T. B. Savage, H. A. Gregory, D. L. Bain, L. G. Bellot, Geo. W. Bunn, Jr., Wm. E. Barnes, Wm. Beasley, John R. Cone, Luther Benson, W. S. Fuller, Ashley Furguson, John L. Foote, J. W. Hawkins, E. A. Scott, and J. Finley Moffett; Alternates—J. P. Carter, H. C. Coody, John Foster, Robert Duckworth, O. B. Franklin, and Hughey Gill.

Petit Jurors—J. P. Chavis, T. L. Dew, W. B. deYampert, Sam Fletcher, Will Holloway, J. J. Brazeal, J. S. Adkins, A. A. Arrington, A. W. Boyd, H. S. Brooks, S. J. Bethune, W. A. Bird, C. A. Boykin, J. J. Cone, E. J. Camak, Wm. Chapman, Abe Caruth, John Doss, Jr., Dennis Dally, R. J. Dennard, R. M. Etheridge, W. M. Ford, W. T. Gibbs, and Charlie Gillick. Alternates—J. S. High, Rich Holloway, J. J. Ingram, Geo. O. Jackson, W. B. Johnson, J. B. Ladd, E. A. McMillian, and J. L. Peacock.

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

Monticello Wins—The game of baseball on Friday last between Hamburg and Monticello was witnessed by a large crowd... The teams went to bat as follows:

Moseley	2nd base	Hyatt	C.
E. M. Guise	1st base	Cotham	P.
Bennett	C. F. & P.	T. Finn	C. F.
Pugh	C.	Rankin	L. F.
Bunn	L. F.	Welsh	S.S.
White	P. & C. F.	B. Finn	R. F.
J. Sawyer	S. S.	Caviness	1st base
H. Sawyer	R. F.	P. Haynes	2nd base
Umpire:	Curtis of Monticello		

August 8, 1895

Dr. W. E. Biggs has our sympathy in the loss of his mother, **Mrs. J. F. Biggs**, who died at Center Point, in this state, on Thursday morning last.

Rev. R. L. Dale and family, of Temple, Texas, came in last week to spend a few weeks with Mrs. Dale's parents, Mr. and Mrs. **J. T. Files**.

Marriage license issued by the clerk this week to **Mr. J. W. White** and **Julia Ann Goyne**, of the ? Prairie neighborhood.

List of Letters remaining in the Post Office at Hamburg, Arkansas, July 31, 1895. Ladies: Mrs. **Carrie Brown**, Miss **Vene Herron**. Gentlemen: **J. W. Ready**, Mr. **Jacob Coleman**, **T. A. Catson**, Mr. **William Green**, Mr. **Carter Gee**, Mr. **W. A. Nichols**, Mr. **Pomp Pippen**, **J. A. Roberts**, Mr. **M. B. Regan**, Mr. **Charley Shewmake**, **G. T. Schneider**, Mr. **Harry Hewitt**, **A. H. Lawson**, P.M.

Mr. W. J. Woodard, an old citizen of Milo neighborhood, died one day last week at Parnell Springs, in Bradley County, to which place he had gone in hopes of regaining his health.

Players in last Friday evenings baseball game.

Turner White, S. S.	Jno. R. Benson, C.
Ike Bennett, S. B.	Tom S. Benson, S. S.
Fred Watson, T. B.	E. Locke, P.
Zim Stell, L. F.	Ed Graves, S. B.
Geo. Easter, C.	Thos. A. Watkins, F. B.
Rhinaldo Baird, C. F.	J. Woods, C. F.
Sam Wilson, F. B.	T. Cobb, R. F.

August 15, 1895

Mr. W. S. Terry, who has been very sick with typho-malarial fever at his home, about five miles south of town, for the past two or three weeks, we regret to learn is still very low. His son, **Walter**, is also in bed with fever.

Mrs. T. J. Maxwell, of Egypt township, aged about 74 years, died on Friday morning last, leaving an aged companion and a large circle of relatives and friends.

Jerry Williams, the negro who with one load of shot, killed one negro and wounded three others on **Mr. J. J. Dean**'s place near Parkdale, a few weeks ago, was captured by the sheriff last week about 9 miles this side of Warren, in Bradley County, and is now safely housed in jail to wait the action of the court. It will be remembered that Jerry killed **Dave Duckery**, and with the same load of shot tore a hole in the cranium of **Jeff Williams**, who is now convalescing after having lost part of his brains, the same load of shot also wounding two other negroes who have since recovered.

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

Miss Hattie Shipman was awarded a scholarship to the Arkadelphia Methodist College.

Mr. John C. Norman returned last week from a visit to Fayetteville, and we regret to learn from him that Miss Gussie Norman, the lovely daughter of Mr. A. H. Norman, late of our town, is dangerously ill with typhoid fever. We are also sorry to learn from Mr. Norman that his mother, Mrs. W. S. Norman, died at her home in New London, on Sunday the 4th inst., in her 88th year.

August 22, 1895

Miss Mary Lowhead, of Bastrop, Louisiana, is visiting our town, the guest of Miss Mattie Watson.

Mr. B. F. Moseley, of Mississippi, son of Rev. J. W. Moseley, of this place, is visiting his fathers family this week.

Fred Watson and Robert McCombs left Monday morning for Bell Buckle, Tennessee, to enter Webb School.

Senator J. W. Williamson, came down from Monticello on his bicycle last Friday morning and returned home the next day, making the trip in four hours.

Col. Geo. W. Murphy, of Little Rock, for many years a resident of this place, is attending our Circuit Court.

James Tubbs, the afflicted son of Mr. B. A. Tubbs, of the Elon neighborhood, died about 2 o'clock on Monday evening of this week, aged about 22 years.

Capt. J. P. Clark has been confined at his home here, sick for the past week, but is now convalescing. Dr. Robert Williams has also been down with fever in the same home, but is now improving.

Elder G. D. Moore, for some time Pastor of Flat Creek Baptist Church, being desirous of a field of labor wherein he can devote his whole time to church work, has resigned the pastorate of this church. J. C. Pyron, Mod. T. W. Mears, C. C.

At 8 o'clock this Wednesday morning, August 21st, Mr. Stanley Rice, of Monticello, and Miss Hattie Scott, of this place, were united in marriage by Rev. J. C. Rhodes, at the Methodist Church.

Death visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Norman at Fayetteville, on Tuesday evening, the 13th inst., and took from their family circle their lovely daughter, Miss Gussie Norman.

Notice of Publication: Camden. August 6, 1895...final proof on September 28, 1895, viz. Willie O. Franklin, Ashley County H. E. 13605 for the W 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec 28, T 17S, R 7W. Witnesses: Pullen Carter, Frank Byrd, Marion Carter, Hiram Goyne of Hamburg. J. A. Ross, Register. August 15, 1895

August 29, 1895

Senator Amis, from Cleveland County, and Judge G. H. Ellis, from Bastrop are attending our Circuit Court this week.

Abner Wood, about 14 years of age, at Ft. Hill, was taken sick last Saturday morning, died about 8 o'clock Saturday night and was buried Sunday evening.

Sinclair Eugene Tinsley, the 12 year old son of Mr. B. S. Tinsley, of the Berea neighborhood, died on the 12th of the month after one week illness.

Mr. Pink Watt is building a residence on the west side of town for the purpose of moving his family in and sending his children to school.

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

Tom Jones, the negro murderer, was taken from the Monticello jail and lynched by a mob on Wednesday night of last week.

Mrs. Dacia Jones, wife of Mr. James Jones and daughter of Mr. J. M. Neel, died on Friday morning last. Her sister died on the same day of the month just one year ago.

If you can give me any information concerning the present address of any of the heirs of William Edwards, brother of Miles S. Edwards, and grandson of Robert Edwards, will be greatly appreciated. Recent developments in a long contested case in New York City have made it very important to locate living heirs at once. William Edwards is supposed to have settled somewhere in Arkansas about 135 or 1840. A.D. Powers, Owensburg, Ky., August 23, 1895.

September 5, 1895

John W. Morris, from Parkdale, is here on a visit this week.

Jesse D. Dean and Mr. Jas. Dean came from Portland ? evening.

Prof T. H. Wheat, who taught Normal School in our town this ?, is among us again this week.

Mr. Green Pugh's little son, ?ge, aged about 4 years, died about 7 o'clock on Monday night of this week.

Miss Annie Townsend, who has been spending several months in our town returned to her home near Little Rock this week.

Mr. W. E. Guise has been very sick but has recovered sufficiently to be up.

Married, on Saturday August ?, 1895 by Rev. A. F. Willis, at Longview, Mr. G. W. Hamilton, of Bradley County, and Miss Annie Davis, of this county.

Married, at 4 o'clock, last Wednesday evening, by Rev. J. B. Thomas, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. McKinnon Noble and Miss ?(S)allie Gomellon, all of this county.

Mr. W. B. Beall, the champion market gardener of the county, is still supplying our town with fine melons.

The first bale of cotton was brought to town by Mr. J. T. Murphy on Wednesday of last week. It weighed 558 pounds and sold to W. M. Whitlow & Co.

Col. Matt Cramer and Judge W. A. Roby were appointed to defend Jerry Williams in his trial for murder, and proved equal to the task of saving his neck from the halter though the general impression seemed to prevail in the beginning that the verdict of death would be the result.

Notice of Publication, Camden, August 27, 1895—final proof on 12 October 1895 viz: Benjamin S. Tinsley, of Ashley County, Arkansas H. E. 14620, for the W 1/2 SW 1/4 Sec 8 and NE 1/4 SE 1/4 and SE 1/4 SE 1/4 Sec 7, T 16S, R 6W. Witnesses: Stephen Rogers, Robert Roberts, John Griswold, John Cone, Berea, Ark. J. A. Ross, Register. September 5, 1895.

Tribute—At 2 o'clock, August 19, 1895, the death Angel entered the home of Mr. B. A. Tubbs and claimed its victim, James J. Tubbs, aged 22 years. Until then has been sadly afflicted. Confined to his bed 15 years, but all that loving hands could do was lavished upon him. He leaves a father, step-mother, a sister and two brothers.

Notice of Publication, Camden, August 31, 1895...final proof on 19 October 1895, Alex Hendricks, H. E. 13608 for NE 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec 34, T 14S, R 9W. Witnesses: Goode Mott, Eli Mott, Joe Murphy, Ras Thompson, of Hamburg. J. A. Ross, Register. September 1895.

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

Rev. J. C. Rhodes left Tuesday morning for Arkadelphia, taking with him the following pupils to enter the Arkadelphia Methodist College. Misses **Elsie Terry** and **Mollie Howell**, of this place; Misses **Johnnie Morris**, **Rosa Myers**, **Oddie Maxwell**, **Hattie Shipman**, **Onie Anderson**, and **Walter Anderson**, from Parkdale and Wilmot; Marion and Allen Byrd and **Lois and Leona Thompson**, from Drew County.

Died, in Ashley County, on the 23 day of August 1895, **Mrs. T. C. Jones**, wife of **J. M. Jones**, in the 30th year of her life. She was cut off in the prime of her life...She joined the M. E. Church at an early age...she leaves a husband and three children and a host of friends to mourn her death.

Mr. W. T. Files writes us from Roswell, New Mexico, that he has just started over-land for Ashley County with 200 head of horses and will reach here some time in October.

Circuit Court winds up this week. The Grand Jury returned 102 indictments up to last Saturday evening and adjourned until Thursday of this week. **Jerry Williams** for murder was sent to the pen for 10 years. **Major Harris** for assault with intent to kill goes up for 2 years in the pen, and **Will Godfrey** for larceny gets 2 years in the pen.

Notice of Publication, Little Rock, August 9, 1895...final proof on September 21, 1895. Ashley County H. E. 16447, Moses M. Curtis for the N 1/2 NW 1/2, Sec 15, T 1?S, R 5W. Witnesses: **Allen W. Austin**, **William Scott**, **Brazel Lucas**, **Lafayette Peacock** of Snyder, Ark. **J. J. Beavers**, Register. August 15, 1895.

September 12, 1895

?ster Duckworth, the bright 10 year old daughter of Mr. **Thomas Duckworth**, in the Milo neighborhood, died on the 18th ult.

James Ready, son Mrs. **Ruth Ready**, aged 16 years, died on Wednesday evening, the 28 ult., in ? Creek township.

Mrs. W. L. Blanks, of Parkdale, has just recovered from a spell of sickness.

Little Mary Irene, age about ? years, daughter of Mr. E. B. ? died on 1? ult.

Death robbed the home of **V. ? Roten**, of the Ft. Hill neighborhood, of his little 3 year old daughter on Sunday night last.

Mr. Z. T. Hedges, who has been spending several months in our county looking after his real estate interest, was married to **Mrs. ? P. Morehouse**, of Little Rock, on Monday evening of last week.

Our young friend, **Ester Guise**, was taken violently ill with swamp fever last Saturday evening and is now convalescing.

Mr. Ed Bethune, of the Snyder neighborhood, died on Saturday evening last, after a protracted illness of about three weeks, leaving a wife and several children and a large circle of friends and relatives.

Tribute—The Angel of Death has visited the Milo Sunday School and taken two of its most promising pupils, **William** and **Jack Richardson**, sons of **G. H.** and **Mattie Richardson**, died, one on September 4th, the other September 5th, after a short illness. William and Jack were inseparable in life and in death they were not divided...Members of Milo Sunday School.

Death has entered many homes in our county recently, but the saddest visitation seems to have fallen on the home of Mr. **George H. Richardson**, of Milo, whose two eldest children and only sons were buried last week in the same grave. **William**, the eldest, aged between 14 and 15, died on Wednesday evening of last week, and the younger son, **Jack**, aged between 13 and 14 breathed his last Thursday morning. Our sympathy goes out to this grief stricken family in their sorrow.

Since the above is in type the distressing news comes that another child has been taken from these heart broken parents. Little **Blanche**, their 9 year old daughter, breathed her last on Monday evening of this week.

Abstracts of Ashley County Eagle, Continued

With more than twenty years experience of publishing news, we have never before announced in one week the number of deaths that have been reported to us during the past ten days. In addition to those announced elsewhere we have just learned that Mr. **Wiley Baker**, on Fountain Prairie, lost a son about 10 years old the first of this week. Also that Mr. **Joe Locke**, of the same neighborhood, lost his child last week, about ?. Mr. **W. A. Burgess**, east of town, lost a son about 6 years old one day last week.

Maj. John B. Speers, of Pine Bluff, died at the residence of his daughter, in Little Rock, on Saturday morning last. From Sunday Gazette we take the following sketch of this good man's life:

Major John B. Speers was born in County Antrim, Ireland, near Belfast, in 1830. He came to Arkansas in 1849, and has resided in this state since that time. He was a member of the old Third Arkansas Regiment of infantry and served in the Army of Northern Virginia through the whole of the late war, in Hood's division, Longstreet's corp of Lee's Army. For a number of years after the war, Maj. Speers resided and did business in El Dorado but moved from there to Pine Bluff 14 years ago, where he has since resided, actively engaged in the mercantile, cotton, and banking business...He was elder in the Presbyterian Church of Pine Bluff...He leaves a wife, a daughter, **Mrs. W. H. Langford** of this city, and two sons Messrs. John and Henry, who reside at Pine Bluff with their mother.

Rev. J. W. Moseley preached two days at Wood Lawn School House, about ten miles from Hamburg. The people have erected an excellent school building and have secured the services of Mr. **W. H. Shipman** as teacher. Mr. **J. C. Brown**, a very active church member, also organized a Sunday School.

Hamburg High School is under the management of Messrs. **Graham, Thatch, and Peoples**.

Notice of Publication, Camden, September 3, 1895...final proof October 19, 1895...**Lewey M. Gardner** of Ashley County, H. E. 13736 for the W 1/2 NE 1/4, Sec 22, T 17S, R 7W. Witnesses: **James Willis, James Radford, James Watson, Gus Wilson** of Hamburg, Ark. **J. A. Ross**, Register. September 12, 1895

September 19, 1895

Died, at Fountain Hill, Ark., September 12, 1895, **Charley Guy**, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. **W. H. Ivey**, aged 10 months and 21 days – little Charley was sick only two days.

Notice of Publication, Little Rock, August 9, 1895...final proof on September 21, 1895, viz: **Moses M. Curtis**, H. E. No. 16447, for N 1/2 NW 1/4, Sec 15, T 17S, R 5W. Witnesses: **Allen W. Austin, William Scott, Brazel Lucas, Lafayette Peacock**, all of Snyder, Ark. **J. J. Beavers**, Register. August 15, 1895.

J. W. Moseley has been confined at home very sick.

T. W. Whitlow's infant son, **Eugene** after weeks ? died on Thursday morning.

Miss **Sula Easter** leaves this ?ning for Atlanta to spend a few ? with some lady friends and will then return to school at ?ville.

Death visited the home of Mr. **G. H.** and Mrs. **Amanda Oden**, of the ? neighborhood, on Monday evening, September 8, and claimed their little, ?, aged 9 years 11 months.

Benjamin Wade Allen Family Bible

Original Owner: **Benjamin Wade Allen**

Present Owner: Benjamin Wade Allen, Jr. Vicksburg, Miss.

Entered by: Mrs. Louis Conner Morschheimer, Parkdale, Ark.

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Marriages

Benjamin Wade Allen and Ruth Eleanor Wilcoxon were married October 5, 1911

Julia Eleanor Allen and Louis Conner Morschheimer were married Mar. 31, 1934, First Baptist Church, Hamburg, Ark.

Benjamin Wade Allen, Jr. and Ann Lois Menger were married Nov. 23, 1947 in Vicksburg, Miss.

Jesse Rush Allen and Elizabeth Jane Simmons were married May 28, 1944 in Denver, Colorado.

Mary Ruth Allen and Ernest Charles Wright were married Jan. 15, 1944 in Belair, Maryland.

Joan Allen and Thomas Stokely Stone, Jr. were married June 19, 1946 in Pine Bluff, Ark.

Louis Conner Morschheimer, Jr. and Gail Delores Smithson were married Nov. 29, 1958 in First Methodist Church at Poteau, Oklahoma.

Births

Benjamin Wade Allen was born Jan. 8, 1880 in Ashley County, Arkansas.

Ruth Eleanor (Wilcoxon) Allen was born Dec. 22, 1890, Berea, Ashley County, Arkansas

Julia Eleanor Allen was born Oct. 13, 1912, Hamburg, Ashley County, Arkansas.

Benjamin Wade Allen, Jr. was born June 22, 1915 at Hamburg, Ashley County, Arkansas.

Jesse Rushing Allen was born Aug. 30, 1918, Ashley County, Ark.

Mary Ruth Allen was born Sept. 26, 1920, Hamburg, Ashley County, Ark.

Louis Conner Morschheimer, husband of Julia Eleanor (Allen) Morschheimer, and son of Charles Calvin and Addie (Stacy) Morschheimer, was born Nov. 16, 1910, Parkdale, Ark.

Grandchildren of Ben W. and Ruth E. (Wilcoxon) Allen

Louis Conner Morschheimer, Jr., son of Louis C. and Julia E. (Allen) Morschheimer, was born Nov. 17, 1935 in Little Rock, Ark.

Ernest Charles Wright, Jr., son of Ernest C. and Mary Ruth (Allen) Wright, was born March 12, 1945, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Donna Lee Allen, daughter of Jesse R. and Elizabeth J. (Simmons) Allen, was born Sept. 16, 1946, Denver, Colorado.

Wade Howard Wright, son of Ernest C. and Mary Ruth (Allen) Wright, was born Nov. 23, 1946, Washington, D. C.

Allen Kennedy Wright, son of Ernest C. and Mary Ruth (Allen) Wright, was born April 27, 1950 in Germany.

Benjamin Wade Allen, III, son of Benjamin Wade, Jr. and Ann L. (Menger) Allen, was born Dec. 16, 1950, Vicksburg, Miss.

Julia Ann Stone, daughter of Thomas S., Jr. and Joan (Allen) Stone, was born Aug. 31, 1951, Knoxville, Tenn.

Hogan Edward Allen, son of Benjamin Wade, Jr. and Ann L. (Menger) Allen, was born Sept. 7, 1953, Vicksburg, Miss.

Thomas Stokely Stone, III, son of Thomas S., Jr. and Joan (Allen) Stone, was born May 3, 1947, Knoxville, Tenn.

Anne Genevieve Allen, daughter of Benjamin W., Jr. and Ann L. (Menger) Allen, was born Sept. 9, 1948 in Vicksburg, Miss.

Steven Rushing Allen, son of Jesse R. and Elizabeth J. (Simmons) Allen, was born March 26, 1949, Denver, Colorado.

Susan Allen, daughter of Jesse R. and Elizabeth J. (Simmons) Allen, was born March 29, 1950, Sidney, Nebr.

Ruth Allen Stone, daughter of Thomas S., Jr. and Joan (Allen) Stone, was born May 18 1954, Knoxville, Tenn.

Elizabeth Ann Allen, daughter of Jesse R. and Elizabeth J. (Simmons) Allen, was born June 23, 1954,, Sidney, Nebr.

Stacy Lee Morschheimer, daughter of Louis C., Jr. and Gail (Smithson) Morschheimer, was born June 19, 1960, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Julia Countiss Morschheimer, dau of Louis C., Jr. and Gail (Smithson) Morschheimer, born Sept 15, 1963, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Benjamin Wade Allen Family Bible, Continued

Deaths

Benjamin Wade Allen, Sr. died Apr. 23, 1965 at Booneville, Ark. Buried at Hamburg, Ark.
Ruth E. (Wilcoxon) Allen died Nov. 16, 1966 at Pine Bluff, Ark. Buried at Hamburg, Ark.

Memoranda Page

Christopher C. Allen, father of Benjamin Wade Allen, was born Dec. 6, 1847, Franklin (Heard Co.) Ga and died in Ashley County, Ark.

Eleanor Octavia (King) Allen, mother of Ben. W. Allen, was born in the year 1855 and died Aug. 3, 1882 in Ashley County, Ark.

Wade Hampton Allen, grandfather of Benjamin Wade Allen, was born March 17, 1817, Franklin (Heard Co.) Ga, and died in Ashley County, Ark.

Sarah Elizabeth (Crane) Allen, grandmother of Benjamin Wade Allen, died Aug. 3, 1883 in Ashley County, Ark.

Hardy Culver Wilcoxon, father of Ruth Eleanor (Wilcoxon) Allen, was born June 14, 1855 in Abbeville, Ala. and died April 1, 1929 at Crossett, Ark. Buried in Hamburg, Ark.

Julia Florence Proctor (Allen) Wilcoxon, mother of Ruth Eleanor (Wilcoxon) Allen, was born March 16, 1865, Ashley County, Ark., and died July 10, 1922 at Hamburg, Ark. where she is buried. She and Hardy C. Wilcoxon were married Feb. 27, 1883, Bearhouse, Ashley Co., Ark.

James Wilcoxon, grandfather of Ruth Eleanor (Wilcoxon) Allen, was born June 14, 1812 near Charleston, S. C. Died in Bullock Co., Ala, June 12, 1875. Buried in Aberfoil Cemetery.

Adaline Amanda (Grace) Wilcoxon, grandmother of Ruth Eleanor (Wilcoxon) Allen, was born Aug. 31, 1830, Hancock Co., Ga. and died Jan. 11, 1882 in Bullock Co., Ala. Buried in Aberfoil Cemetery.

Hogan Allen, grandfather of Ruth Eleanor (Wilcoxon) Allen, was born Jan. 20, 1829, Anson Co., N. C., and died July 16, 1899. Buried Mt. Olive Cemetery, Ashley County, Ark.

Frances Eleanor (Rushing) Allen, grandmother of Ruth Eleanor (Wilcoxon) Allen, was born April 1, 1832, Anson Co., N. C. and died July 28, 1895. Buried Mt. Olive Cemetery, Ashley County, Ark.

Henry Morschheimer Family Bible

Original Owner: **Henry Morschheimer**
Present Owner: Henry Stacy Morschheimer, Parkdale, Arkansas
Entered by: Evelyn Orr (Mrs. Henry S.) Morschheimer
Copyright Date: 1834
Publisher: The American Bible Society, New York

Marriages

C. C. Morschheimer to Addie Stacy Willis May 18, 1904
Henry S. Morschheimer to Evelyn Orr Nov. 28, 1928
Annette Morschheimer to Edwin D. Gregory June 22, 1934
Louis C. Morschheimer to Julia Allen Mch 30th 1934
Louis Conner Morschheimer, Jr. to Gail Delores Smithson November 29, 1958

Births

C. C. Morschheimer Born Aug 22 - 1866
Eva L. Morschheimer Born Sep 10th 1869
Henry N. Morschheimer Born Dec 25 - 1876
Henry S. Morschheimer son of C. C. M. born Feb. 8 - 1905
C. C. Morschheimer Jr born June 26th 1907
Louis C. Morschheimer born Nov. 16 - 1910
Annette Morschheimer born July 29 - 1913
Addie Morschheimer wife of C. C. Morschheimer born Mch 9th 1879
J. H. Barrett Born March 11 - 1847
Louis Conner Morschheimer Jr. Son of Louis Morschheimer & Julia Morschheimer born Nov. 17th 1935
Margaret Gregory adopted daughter of Annette and Edwin Gregory born Oct. 31, 1944 - adopted Mar. 30, 1945
Henry Morschheimer - son of Henry Stacy and Evelyn Orr Morschheimer born Nov 1st 1948.
Stacy Lee Morschheimer - daughter of Conner and Gail Morschheimer born June 19, 1960.
Julia Countiss Morschheimer - daughter Conner and Gail Morschheimer born Sept. 15, 1963

Deaths

Mrs. Fannie Nancy Morschheimer died August 3th half past one o'clock in the morning. year 1884.
Henry Morschheimer Sr. died July 1 - 1894
C. C. Morschheimer - March 28, 1941
Addie Stacy Morschheimer - Nov. 20, 1947
Henry Noble Morschheimer - Feb. 23, 1963

(Note: Henry Morschheimer and Fannie Noble were married 17 July 1857. Reference: Chicot County, Arkansas Marriage Record, Bk. B, p. 138.
Henry Morschheimer was known as Professor Morschheimer and was a composer and music teacher in Hamburg, Arkansas schools for many years.
C. C. Morschheimer was Charles Calvin Morschheimer.)

Written on the inside of the front cover of this Bible:
Hollywood - Presented by the Forest Church, New Natchez, Mississippi, April 5th, 1853

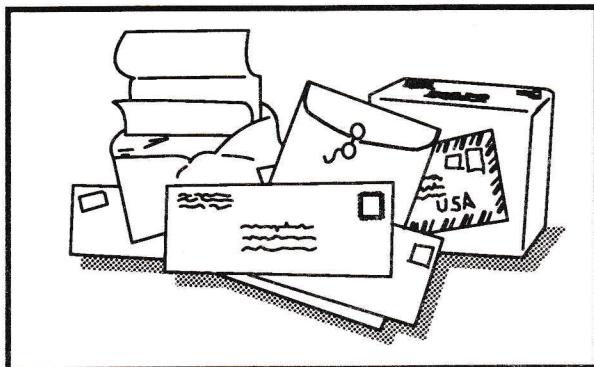
HUSBAND	Alexander Frohock	SOURCE	Dorothy Fullerton Boyd 807 N. Otto Street Marion, IL 62256
Birth	c 1774	Place	Rowan Co., N.C.
Christening		Place	
Marriage		Place	
Death	3 Dec. 1822	Place	Rumble's Hist. of Rowan Co., History of Ark., p. 910
Burial	Thomas	Place	Alex. "s. will Rowan Co., N.C. Eliz. s. will Union Co., Ark.
Father	None	Place	
Other Wives (if any)	Mary (McCullough)	Place	
WIFE	Elizabeth Montfort (Long) "Betsy"	Place	
Birth	c 1781	Place	Rowan Co., N.C.
Christening		Place	
Death	1852	Place	El Dorado Union, Ark.
Burial	Old Presb. Church (em.)	Place	El Dorado Ark.
Father	Alexander Long, Sr.	Place	
Other Husbands (if any)	Susan (Stokes)	Place	
No.	C CHILDREN (In order of Birth)	BIRTH (Date and Place)	MARRIAGE (Spouse, Date and Place)
1	M Thomas Alexander	c 1805 Rowan Co., N.C.	12 Feb. 1828-Sparta, Tenn. Sarah Ballenger (Wilson Co.)
2	F Mary McCulloh		1829 Covington, Tenn. Wm. Hazen
3	F Elizabeth Montfort		2/1837
4	M John Stokes (WFI)	c 1821	
5	F Susan Stokes		James H. Johnston 30 Aug. 1846 Union Co., Ark.
6	F Sarah Alexander		July 1847 (childbirth)
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Queries

Walker, Womble, Mellard, Peacock

C. M. Walker came to Ashley County in 1877, and lived here the rest of his life. Also the Wombles (Thomas B. and his father, Elisha). Also need information on families of Seaborn James Mellard and John Peacock.

Audrey Mellard Bell, 232 Idaho, LaPorte, Texas 77571.



Townsend, Muse

A. B. Townsend born 1818 in VA, married Sarah (Sallie) Muse, born ca. 1831, AR. Their son, Drewry, born 1848 in Hot Springs or Clark County, AR. Family in Polk County by 1860 Census with three children, N., F., and M. Sarah/Sallie Muse's parents believed to be Jacob C. Muse, born ca 1808 and Ruth ?. Will exchange information with anyone having knowledge of these families. Eunice Scott Barrow, 8932 Easy Street, San Antonio, Texas 78266-1514.

Hill, Stover, Miller

Would like to correspond with any descendants of John Hill, born 1787-1800, TN and Margaret Stover, born 1798, VA. There were in Talledega Co., AL on 1850 Census and Ashley County 1860 Census. According to legend, they had plantation called "Blackhawk." John died 18 March 1869, and Margaret died 1871, both in Ashley County. Had son James who married Martha Miller and son John who married Rachel ?, all living in Ashley County. Patricia Cardwell, P. O. Box 705, Sylacauga, Alabama 35150.

Rathbun, Rathbone, Rathburn, Ewell, Roper, Englath

Need help with fitting the following Ashley County marriages into his family history: Charles Rathbun to Jennie Ewell, 9 June 1887, Jennie Rathbun to J. D. Roper, 25 Dec. 1889; and James Rathbun to Ollie Englath, 16 June 1891. Anyone researching the Rathburn family of Ashley County should respond. Robert B. Rathbun, 1029 Shive Lane E-4, Bowling Green, KY 42103.

Hudson, Hutson

The Hudson Family Association, 232 Loop Drive, Slidell, Louisiana 70458, is seeking members of this and related families for membership. They publish a quarterly, appear to be quite active and hold annual meetings, this year in July at Jackson, MS. A copy of their 52-page quarterly has been placed in our library for your perusal.

Pryor, Wilder

Looking for burial location in Ashley County for William Patrick Pryor. He was the younger brother of John Pryor who married Ann Trigg, lived and was buried in Ashley County. Wm. Patrick Pryor was listed in 1870 Census for Ashley County living in Extra Township, Hamburg P.O. listed as a farmer but was also a carpenter by trade. Born: 1829 Tennessee, married 26 Mar 1861 to Jennie Wilder. She left Ashley County following Patrick's death ca 1875 to return to her parent's home in Malvern. She died ca 1879 leaving orphans to the care of her parents. Shelia L. McKay, 4433 South Atlanta Pl., Tulsa, OK 74105-4343.

Looney, Arnett, Smith

Looking for the parents of my father, Walter Dee Looney b. 17 June 1872(6), d. Nov 1943, who was raised by his uncle, Frederick B. Looney b. 22 Jan 1836 d. 12 Dec 1902 (where?). Frederick married Mary Annie Arnett b. 20 Sept 1845 d. 18 Dec 1911. Frederick's parents were James W. Looney b. 22 Apr 1809 d. 16 July 1879 and Frances (Fannie) Smith b. 14 Jan 1811 d. 7 Feb 1864. James and Frances came from Kentucky to Tennessee, then to Arkansas (on the 1860 Census of Ashley County), then to Texas, where they both died. Mrs. B. M. (Cora) Franklin, 9119 Lindaro Lane, Dallas, TX 75228.

Brazeel, Phillips

Warren H. Brazeel and his wife, **Eliza Phillips** (dau. of **Matthew Phillips**, who died about 1822 in GA) were married by 1839. The family was enumerated on the Drew County, AR 1850 Census, Veasey Twp. was follows:

House 180 **Brazile, Warren H.** (b. 1813, GA) Mechanic (blacksmith)
Eliza (b. 1817, GA)
Martha J. (b. 1839, GA)
James L. (b. 1841, GA)
Henry C. (b. 1844 GA)
Mary S. (b. 1846, GA)

Date of Eliza's death not known; buried Lone Sassafras Cem., Ladell, Drew Co., AR. Would like any information on this family. Where did they go? Are any descendants still in that area of Arkansas? **Mrs. Howard W. Dougherty, Rt. 3 Box 238 Wells Rd., Quitman, TX 75783.**

Johnson, Adams, Dade, Stephenson

Wanted: parents and/or siblings of **James M. Johnson** m. **Mary Ann Adams** 27 April 1848, Drew Co., AR. James M. Johnson to gold rush and demise. 1850 Census Ashley County, Beech Creek Twp. shows Mary Ann Johnson in household of Henry Dade with one child. Wife of **Henry Dade** thought to be sister of Mary Ann Adams Johnson. Mary Ann Johnson m. **Wm. Stephenson** 16 Nov 1850 in Ashley Co. and came to Texas. Exchange information. Will answer all replies. **T. Don Scott, 332 N. Green Acres, Wimberley, TX 78676.**

Jenkins, Morton

Vernon Charles Jenkins, born 2 December 1945 looking for **Marie (Green) Jenkins** or **Myrtle Morton**. **Robert Kerr, 1407 Circle Lane, Chulnotna, FL 32766.**

Kelloggs

Updating book **Kelloggs** in the old world and the new. All spellings of Kellogg. Have large data base and will exchange information. I am especially interested in the family of **Annie L. Killough** born 1832/3 Georgia living with her son **John M. Killough**, born 1865/6 MS and his wife Julia born 1899/1900 AL as listed in 1920 census for Ashley Co., AR. **Marta Metcalf, 3915 Yorktown Road, Chattanooga, TN 37416.**

Hill, Reynolds, Moore

My ancestor was **Jesse Hill** who was b. in AL in 1819. He first moved to Union Co., AR and was married I believe three times. First, in 1846 to **Rebecca Reynolds**. One son was born in Feb 1848, **John William Hill** (my g-grandfather). Second, Jesse m. **Cynthia Moore** in 1850, no children. Third, Jesse m. **Mary A. ?**, about 1854 and moved to Ashley Co. Their children: 1) **Martha J. Hill**, b. ca 1855 and m. **F. C. Parker**, 17 Aug 1881; 2) **Reanga Hill**, b. 13 July 1856 d. 3 Jan 1861; 3) **Alice J. Hill** b. 13 Jan 1858 d. 20 Dec 1860; 4) **Franklin B. b. 17 May 1866, d. 1887**; 5) **Benjamin B. Hill** b. 11 Oct 1869, d. 3 Dec 1887; 6) **Sterling Price Hill** b. ca 1862, m. **Fanny Barnes** in Ashley Co. I am trying to find the parents of Jesse Hill, and also trying to find when and where he died. I know he resided in the Parkdale area and most of his children are buried in Parkdale Cem. Also, I am trying to uncover a possible connection of Jessie Hill and **James Hill** (who lived in Extra Twp.) James Hill was b. in Tuscaloosa Co., AL and moved to Ashley Co in 1858. The father of James Hill was **John Hill** who served in the War of 1812 with **Andrew Jackson** at the Battle of New Orleans. Were Jesse and James brothers? **Scott S. Hill, 801 Fifth St., Westwego, LA 70094.**

Long, Frohock, Lawson, Morris, Ramson, Johnston

My g-g-g-grandmother was **Elizabeth Montfort Long Frohock** and after her husband, **Alexander Frohock**, died in Rowan Co., N. C. in 1822, Elizabeth left that area about 1831 for the West. Elizabeth is buried in the old Presbyterian Cem. in El Dorado, AR. Enclosed is a family group sheet (see page 155). Would like to share information. I have info on the Frohocks and Longs back to the 1700's. The dau., **Sarah Frohock**, m. **Wm. Lawson** who was a merchant in Union Co., but Sarah died in childbirth in 1847. Her baby, **Wm. A. Lawson**, is living with her sister's family and her mother. (See 1850 Union Co., Census, **James H. Johnston**.) The father, **Wm. (S?) Lawson** moves to Ashley Co. in early 1850's and remarries Sarah H. Morris or Norris [Editor's note: *William S. Lawson m. Sarah H. Norris, 1 Mar 1854, Ashley Marr. Book AA-36, more about this family appeared in Kin Kollecting, Vol II, #1, pp 2-22,33], 1 Mar 1854.* This Wm. also sets up a law practice in Hamburg, AR. The son, **Wm. A. Lawson** m. **Susie E. Ramson** (**Ramsour - editor's note**), 15 Jan 1880. Are there any known **Lawson** or **Johnston** descendants still in your area? I'd love to hear from them. **Dorothy Fulkerson Boy, 807 N. Otis St., Marion, IL 62959.**

Book Reviews

by Blanche H. Turlington

Mary Emily Smith Witt, 4212 Lomo Alto #200, Dallas, Texas 75219, has written and published two books of genealogical importance to several Ashley County families. She very graciously sent copies for review with the request that they ultimately be placed in the Ashley County Library at Hamburg. Following are my written reviews of her books:

Kittrells in America. A Brief Survey and Clues to their Whereabouts. Mew Publishing, P. O. Box 8352, Dallas, Texas 75205. 107 pages, soft cover, cost \$20.00.

This book is very neatly written and presented in easy to read style. It covers Kittrells she has researched in North Carolina and Tennessee over five generations, all listed alphabetically with as much information following each name as she has collected pertaining to that person. It includes appendices with alphabetical listings of maiden names of women married to Kittrell men, husbands of Kittrell women, and marriages of Kittrell men to wives with surnames unknown. Each list shows marriage date, place and bond number when known.

The Dean Family. Descendents of Drury Dean, Sr.. Mew Publishing, P. O. Box 8352, Dallas, Texas 75205. 88 pages, soft cover, cost \$15.00.

The author has compiled an interesting genealogy of the Dean (Deane, Deans, Deen, Deene, Deens) family, beginning with Jeremiah Dean of 1790 North Carolina Census and containing down through the Dean and Cone families who moved from Alabama to Ashley County, Arkansas, in 1853. Her stories involving her grandfather, Jasper Jefferson *Jap* Dean and her mother, Hazel Dean Smith, are interesting reading for anyone, whether or not connected to this family, and contain both historical and genealogical information. In addition to her stories, Ms. Witt has compiled genealogies of many members of the family, giving sources of information. She lists many references and an every name index.

(Note: Ms. Witt asked that I contact a member of the Newsome family in Portland concerning these books. Since I do not have a name or address of this family, I am asking that any member who knows the Newsomes please contact me so I may deliver her message.)

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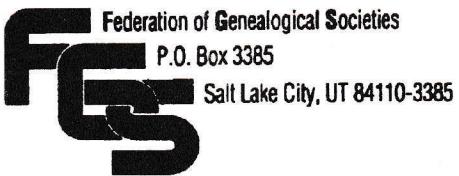


Position Statement *Pending Appointment of an Archivist of the United States*

The Archivist of the United States is responsible for the identification, preservation, and accessibility of the historical records of our nation. It is a legal requirement that the Archivist be appointed on the basis of the professional qualifications needed to meet the responsibilities of that position, and that the appointment be made without regard to political affiliations. The Federation of Genealogical Societies is experienced in the evaluation of candidates for this position and offers the following for consideration:

- ◆ Genealogists, family historians, and local historians are the largest constituent group served by the National Archives and its thirteen field branches. (In some locations usage by this constituency is as high as eighty to ninety percent.)
- ◆ The genealogical community in general and the Federation in particular is pleased with the movement toward more constituency services during the last several years. It is imperative that, while appropriate attention should be given to advances in technology and concerns relating to preservation, the trend toward offering adequate constituency services must continue.
- ◆ The Federation of Genealogical Societies recommends that directors of the regional branch archives be included in the pool of candidates for Archivist of the United States and be given serious consideration as candidates.
- ◆ The Federation of Genealogical Societies seeks active involvement in developing and implementing the selection criteria for the creation of the candidate pool from which the Clinton Administration will pick a nominee.

Founded in 1976, the Federation of Genealogical Societies is a non-profit organization comprised of nearly three hundred genealogical/historical societies and libraries, ultimately representing well over 100,000 individual genealogists. The Federation is the collective voice of genealogical and historical organizations at the national level, actively involved in efforts to represent and protect societies, to coordinate and facilitate their activities, and to monitor events that are critical to the future of genealogy.



"Linking the Genealogical Community"

Memo to: Leaders of the Genealogical Community
From: Curt Witcher, President
Federation of Genealogical Societies
Date: 26 April 1993
Regarding: Pending Appointment of the Archivist of the United States

Don W. Wilson's resignation as the Archivist of the United States has resulted in great uncertainty within the genealogical community. Dr. Wilson actively supported the many constituency services which directly benefit genealogists and local historians. The Federation, desiring continued attention to constituency services, is concerned that the candidates currently under consideration for this position exhibit a similar commitment to the genealogical and historical community.

We are calling upon the leaders of the genealogical field to unite in an urgent effort to present our views to the Clinton Administration and others responsible for reviewing candidates for this critical position. We must demonstrate to Washington that the leadership of the genealogical community is concerned about this appointment.

The Federation has experience dealing with the confirmation of an Archivist. In 1986, President Reagan nominated John Agresto as Archivist of the United States – a man who was considered by the genealogical community to be entirely unsuitable for that position. Rabbi Malcolm Stern, representing the Federation, testified before the Senate Committee on Government Affairs with the result that Agresto was not confirmed. The Federation, with its experience in evaluating such candidates, should be actively involved in the current process of locating and confirming a suitable Archivist of the United States.

Enclosed you will find a statement outlining the position held by the Federation. We urge you to write a letter incorporating the points therein and direct it to either or both of the addressees listed below. Or simply include a photocopy of the Position Statement with a cover letter voicing your support. When you write, please cite your credentials and use your organization's letterhead. Although we're not suggesting an all-out, community-wide letter-writing campaign (a tactic which may become necessary should we need to oppose the confirmation of an unsuitable candidate), it would be appropriate to include signatures of your society members with your letters, showing that they support this action of their leadership. Please feel free to photocopy this letter and Position Statement and circulate it to your board members or to friends who serve in positions of leadership.

By our unified, professional, and immediate response to this situation, we stand the greatest chance that our opinions will be heard. Your letter counts! Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter.

Collectively we *can* make a difference!

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